



PRIVATE LAW LIBRARIANS
& INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS
SPECIAL INTEREST SECTION



PLLIP AWARDS LIST

AWARDS COMMITTEE

The awards and criteria are as follows:

ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR

The PLLIP Advocate of the Year Award is designed to recognize a member who has been a strong advocate of private law librarianship and provided meaningful service to the Private Law Libraries SIS, their organization, and the larger legal community and who demonstrates outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within the SIS and the profession. The award includes a plaque as well as a registration grant for the AALL Annual Meeting or the PLLIP Summit, to be used within two years of the award.

Selection Criteria:

The nominee must be an active member in good standing of AALL and PLLIP.

The nominee must have made significant contributions to PLLIP and their organization.

The nominee must show outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within PLLIP and the profession.

The nominee must not have previously received the Advocate or Service to PLLIP Award.

The nominee must not be a current or immediate past officer of PLLIP.

BEST BLOGGER/ WRITER OF THE YEAR

The PLLIP Best Blogger/Writer of the Year award is designed to recognize a member who has made significant blogging/writing contributions to the private law library profession, their organization, and the Private Law Librarians SIS and demonstrates outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within the SIS and the profession.

Selection Criteria:

The nominee must have created blog posts or articles that contribute to topics relating to librarianship, law librarianship, and practical applications for library work or to an understanding of legal materials, legal systems legal information, or to professional and staff training and development.

The nominee must demonstrate a high quality of writing and effectiveness of the communication technique utilized for the information sought to be conveyed.

The nominee must be an active member in good standing of AALL and/or PLLIP.

The nominee must have made significant contributions to PLLIP and their organization.

The nominee must show outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within PLLIP and the profession.

DISTINGUISHED LIBRARIAN

The PLLIP Distinguished Librarian award is designed to recognize a long-time active member whose contributions to the profession, their organization, and service to the Private Law Librarians SIS have been significant, substantial, and long-standing.

Selection criteria:

The nominee must be an active member in good standing of AALL and PLLIP 15 years or more.
The nominee must have made significant contributions to PLLIP and their organization.

EMERGING LEADER OF THE YEAR

The PLLIP Emerging Leader of the Year award is designed to recognize a member in the early stages of his/her career who has made significant contributions to the law library profession, their organization, and the Private Law Libraries SIS and demonstrates outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within the SIS and the profession.

Selection criteria:

The nominee must be an active member in good standing of AALL and PLLIP.
The nominee must be in the first 2-5 years of their law library career.
The nominee must have made significant contributions to PLLIP and their organization.
The nominee must show outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within PLLIP and the profession.
The nominee must have not previously received the PLLIP Emerging Leader Award.

HALL OF FAME

The PLLIP Hall of Fame award is designed to recognize a retired member who over the entire course of their career made significant contributions to the private law library profession, their organization, and the Private Law Librarians SIS.

Selection Criteria:

The nominee must be a member in good standing of AALL and PLLIP.
The nominee must have been a law librarian for at least 15 years.
The nominee must have made significant contributions to PLLIP and their organization.

INNOVATIVE PROFESSIONAL

The PLLIP Innovative Professional award is designed to recognize a member who has demonstrated significant innovation to the private law library profession, their organization, and the Private Law Librarians SIS, and who demonstrates outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within the SIS and the profession.

Selection criteria:

The nominee must be an active member in good standing of AALL and PLLIP and/or be a chapter member.
The nominee must have made significant contributions to PLLIP and their organization.

The nominee must show outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within PLLIP and the profession.

VENDOR/OUTSIDE CHAMPION

The PLLIP Vendor/Outside Champion Award is designed to recognize activities or initiatives by outside vendors which promote the value of information professionals to the broader legal community. Initiatives could include advertising campaigns, surveys or articles which highlight or demonstrate the value of information professionals; inviting or facilitating opportunities where information professionals speak or write for an audience of law firm partners and executive directors. Specifically excluded are initiatives paid for by AALL or PLLIP and traditional sponsorship of conferences and educational activities.

Selection Criteria:

The nominee must have initiated programs or activities that promote the value of information professionals to the broader legal community.

The nominee must not have received payment for the activity or initiative by AALL or PLLIP.

The nominee must not be a current or immediate past officer of PLLIP.